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Andy Douglass is a partner in the law firm of Morrison Mahoney LLP, a 160-lawyer firm which is one of the largest firms in the United States specializing in insurance and reinsurance matters. He is Chair of the Firm's reinsurance practice. The firm has offices in New York, New Jersey, London, Boston, and throughout New England. He is admitted to practice in New York, Illinois, Massachusetts and Rhode Island and has been a member of the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court for over 25 years.

Andy graduated With Distinction (highest order) from the U.S. Naval Academy. He has an MBA and a law degree from Stanford, where he was a Note Editor of the Law Review.

Andy is a qualified arbitrator by ARIAS and has been a party arbitrator or an umpire in approximately a dozen matters in the past five years and is listed in The Arbitrators Directory published by The Reinsurance Association of America.

Andy has served on the Council of Chief Legal Officers and on the Lawyers' Committee of both the American Insurance Association and the Association of Bank Holding Companies. He also served as a member of the AIA's Financial Modernization Task Force and was an alternate to its Board of Directors. He has spoken at numerous reinsurance and insurance industry seminars on such topics as securitization of risks and mergers and acquisitions problems.

Prior to joining Morrison Mahoney LLP, Andy was Senior Vice President and General Counsel for The St. Paul Companies, Inc. and St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company, which through its St. Paul Re operations in New York and London was the sixth largest American reinsurer. While at The St. Paul, Andy worked on AFIA and Weavers-related disputes, plus numerous insurance acquisitions and the sale of a major insurance brokerage firm. He organized a St. Paul subsidiary as the first American corporate investor in Lloyd's of London. He represented St. Paul Re in the industry's first securitization of property risks. He was also a director of John Nuveen Company, Inc., a NYSE-listed company. Andy has handled a significant number of reinsurance disputes in the following areas:

- Treaty and facultative agreement interpretation,
- Aggregation and allocation issues,
- Broker moral hazard misrepresentation allegations and disputes,
- Issues arising out of runoff pools and companies (such as H.S. Weavers),
- Adverse selection and misrepresentations of books of business ceded,
- Issues relating to Lloyd's underwriting syndicate practices and LMX Spirals,
- Misrepresentation of the nature of the insured's or cedent's interests,
- Actual, apparent and implied authority of accepting underwriters and brokers,
- Corporate divisions and ring-fencing (such as Lloyds, Cigna and Home).

In his current capacity Andy is available to handle assignments as umpire and as arbitrator.

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